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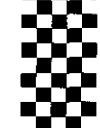
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First and foremost, the studio's are broadcasting over public airways. Their concern about consumer piracy is overblown. If they are the afraid, they don't have to broadcasts shows using public airways. However, seeing as how there is money in broadcasting the shows I expect they will broadcast anyway. Their business has not been shown to be hurt by broadcasting shows before DTV, I don't see how they should be awarded extra protection for broadcasting in DTV.

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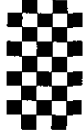
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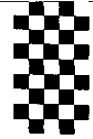
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